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LOK SABHA

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IMPLEMENTATION OF SCHEMES/PROGRAMMES UNDER SCP/TSP
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have been implementing various Schemes and Programmes under Special component Plan (SCP) and Tribal Sub Plan (TSP) forachieving overall development of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes majority ofwhom live below poverty line as landless agricultural labourers;

(b) if so, the details of new schemes and programmes being formulated by his Ministry under SCP and TSP for the Tenth Five Year Plan for training the educated SC/ST youths; and

(c) the funds to be spent on such programmes during the Tenth Plan?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) to (c): Department of Agriculture and Cooperation is primarily responsible forincreasing production and productivity of agricultural output through implementation of various agriculture development schemes. The schemes are production oriented and area specific in nature which therefore benefit farmers of all categories including farmers of SC/ST communities.In view of the above, there is little scope for formulating schemes/programmes particularly focused on specific communities. However, wherever possible, the State Governments/Implementing Agencies are advised in the Administrative Approvals of Schemes/Programmes to provide allocation/funds for Special Component Plan (SCP) for Scheduled Castes and Tribal Sub Plan (TSP) for Scheduled Tribes as per the Government guidelines on the subject.